

WASHINGTON, D. C., SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1908.

Purchased at much below regular an entire stock of fancy silks.

These goods are all new and in the most attractive patterns brought out for 1908, and include—
Shepherd Checks, in black and white, blue and white, and brown and white; Chevron Striped Novelties, Pin and Black-checked Silks, Black and White Checks, with colored over-plaid, and many other lines difficult to describe.

Sale prices—49c and 59c yard.

There are no silks in the entire purchase worth less than 75c a yard, and more than one-third of the lot are regular \$1.00 silks.
First floor—Silk Department.

15c auto cloth,
a yd., 97c.

36-INCH Run-of-the-Mill Bleached Auto Cloth Suits, with the old Irish linen finish, adaptable for women's suits, skirts, and little boys' suits. This is a regular 15c quality that we are offering special to-morrow at a 97c yard.

36-INCH Fine Sea Island Cotton, for undersuits, and a splendid grade sold formerly at 10c a yard. Special to-morrow, 68c a yard.

Domestic—First floor.

LININGS

These at savings.

Two of the linings most required for Spring Dresses and Wraps are offered to-morrow well below usual prices. See that you take advantage of the low price.

PRES DE NOIE—An ideal cloth lining that looks much like silk—all the new spring shades and fast black; ought to be 35c a yard. Monday at 29c.

LIBERTY-FINISH SATIN, in black, white, cream, gray, tan, and brown; 36 inches wide, and worth all of 80c a yard. Monday at 69c.

First floor—S. Kann, Sons & Co.

81x91 bleached
sheets, 59c value, 39c

Full-size Sheets, seam in middle, and a very special value. Only a limited quantity, therefore we cannot fill C. O. D. or mail or 'phone orders. 20c saved on every sheet. Come early for them. Each, 30c to-morrow.

First floor—Domestic.

50c "Semi" stiff col-
lars, embr'd, choice, 25c

Choice of five designs. Solid and seed embroidery work. Good height. Just the right collar for wear with the "Merry Widow" Tie, which also costs a quarter!

First floor—S. Kann, Sons & Co.

MR. SHIBLEY GIVES LECTURE

Defines the "Initiative and Referendum" at the Riggs.

Interesting Programme Arranged by
Woman's National Press
Association.

The Woman's National Press Association held its regular meeting last evening in the parlors of the Riggs Hotel, with Mrs. Ruth G. Pealer, president, in the chair.

The programme consisted of a vocal solo by Miss Lillian Chenoweth and an address by Mr. George H. Shibley on the "Initiative and referendum." Mr. Shibley is president of the National Federation for People's Rule. He said, in part: "The initiative and referendum is a system whereby the voters can ballot direct on public questions, and the result is a majority rule in place of machine rule."

"It is the people's rule in place of the rule of the few. The referendum is a means whereby the voters can ballot direct on acts of legislative bodies and constitutional conventions, the will of the majority deciding the issue. Thus through this system the people possess a veto power. There are two forms of the referendum—the compulsory and the optional. The acts of most of the constitutional conventions are referred to the people without the formality of a petition. This is compulsory referendum. Where the legislative body can be balanced upon by the voters, if a petition for submission be filed by a certain number of petitioners, usually 5 or 10 per cent, the system is the optional referendum, and is the one being established throughout the country. It is effective except for close questions."

Mr. Shibley told of the proposed national system and of the advisory system in the States, and claimed that the outlook for the coming campaign is promising; that through the nonpartisan system of questioning candidates the people's rule has already been re-established in twenty-six States, and machine rule is passing and will soon disappear.

MEETING OF MEN'S CLUB.

Chance Devices Not Proper for Raising Church Funds.

The regular monthly meeting of the Men's Club of St. Paul's English Lutheran Church, Eleventh and H streets northwest, was held in the lecture room of the church Tuesday evening, February 11.

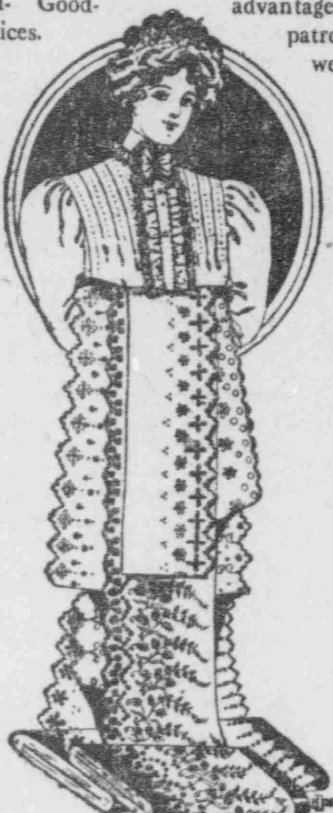
A feature was a discussion whether devices containing an element of chance should be used in raising money for church purposes. The members of the club were divided into two sides, and the judges were selected from visitors. The judges were unanimous that such devices should not be used for raising money for the church.

Rev. J. A. Buxton, minister of the Methodist Protestant Church, of Gaithersburg, Md., and Rev. W. S. Sites, minister of the Methodist Protestant Church, of Preston, Md., were present as guests.

It was bitter medicine, but the importer had to take it to save the credit of his house. He sacrificed Thousands of dollars' worth of the most desirable laces and embroideries on which we quote astonishingly low prices.

THE importer had to have money. He got it. We never bought high-class goods for so little money. We had to buy them low. He appealed to us after all our contracts for 1908 goods had been purchased and the majority of regular stock delivered. Good-will alone would not permit us to take double stocks to sell at regular prices. Price alone did the work.

Women of Washington are to have this week, and so long as the lots last, the very biggest and most diversified embroidery treat we have ever given them. In our purchase we secured advantages we never even dreamed of getting. Every advantage is passed along to our patrons. This sale is bigger, broader, more varied, and embraces better values than we have ever had.



French and German Val. laces and insertions,

3-4 to 2 inches wide. 55c
doz. yds. Sale price... A DOZ. YDS.

This is undoubtedly the finest collection of French and German Val. Laces and the biggest values ever offered for sale in this city. In all there are about 6,000 pieces—a dozen yards to the piece—and probably one-half of the entire collection are in matched sets. You know the matched sets are first to go. Make selections early.

Point de Paris, Normandy,
Platt, Valenciennes, and
imitation duchess
laces and insertions,

in widths 1 to 6 inches,
all worth up to 25c yard. 94c
Sale price... A YARD

Attention is called to the fact that this entire lot is made up in new 1908 patterns, and all in matched sets. It is certainly one of the biggest bargain opportunities in laces of this character ever presented.

85 patterns in new elaborate Swiss shirt-waist fronting

All 30 inches wide and
worth \$1.25 to \$2.98 a 98c
yd. Sale price... A YARD

This lot is so unusual an offering that every woman in the city should be interested. The material is 29 inches wide, with ample space allowance between embroidery for pin tucking. The patterns are decidedly clever and will appeal to the fastidious woman. 85 different patterns, so a full line of summer waists may be chosen without securing duplicates.

Swiss inserting
in 160 choice patterns,
2 to 8 inches wide; 12 1/2c
worth 15c to 40c yd.

Sale price... A YARD

3 to 10 inches wide and
worth 49c to 69c yard. 16c
Sale price... A YARD

Four extremely big bargains in demi-flouncings.

Lot 1—Offered in 128 different patterns, in Swiss and Cambric; worth 29c and 30c a yard. Sale price, a yard.

19c

Lot 2—Offered in 155 different patterns, in Swiss and Nainsook; worth 50c to 80c a yard. Sale price, a yard.

39c

Lot 3—Offered in 140 different patterns, in Swiss and Nainsook; worth \$1.00 to \$1.29 a yard. Sale price, a yard.

49c

Lot 4—Offered in 35 different patterns, in Swiss and Nainsook; worth \$1.50 a yard. Sale price, a yard.

69c

COMPETITIVE ART EXHIBITION

Opens Monday (to-morrow), entirely FREE.

Women who delight in pretty embroidery and needlework will have an opportunity to see an almost infinite variety of different designs, different styles of work and patterns, also many different adaptations of the same patterns, showing what may be accomplished with taste and skill. You cannot afford to miss the enthusiasm and instructive features of this exhibition.

Fourth floor.

NOTIONS.

BEST QUALITY RELIANCE SEWING SILK, 100-YARD SPOOLS; regularly 9c. Special to-morrow, 6c a spool.

A GOOD LIST OF OTHER NOTION SPECIALS.

SEWING SILK, black, white; regularly 3c a spool. Special, three 5c spools for 10c.

S. H. & M. Mohair Skirt Braid, in black only; 6-yd. pieces; reg. 10c. Special, a dozen for 10c.

RUBOFF—for cleaning purposes—regularly 15c a package. Special, 10c each.

COLLAR FORMS, in the newest high-point effects. Special, 10c each.

CLINTON Safety Pins, in black and white, all sizes; regularly 5c a box. Special, 3 boxes for 10c.

BLACK AND WHITE Hooks and Eyes, size 2, 3, and 4; regularly 5c a box. Special, 3 boxes for 10c.

SILKATEEN, 100-yard spools; regularly 5c a spool; in all colors. Special, 3 spools for 10c.

24-YARD-PIECE of Tape, in black and white, all sizes; regularly 7c a piece. Special, 3 pieces for 10c.

100 COUNT Cube Pins, in black only; regularly 9c. Special, to 5c.

HAIR ROLLS—something entirely new—shaped to fit the head; three sizes, small, medium, and large. 49c each. Special, 3 for 10c.

BUTTON—don't go to the bother of making them yourself when you can 10c buy them ready-made at a yd.

WARREN'S Cotton-covered Featherbone, in black and white; regularly 10c a yd. Special, 5c.

BONE HAIR PINS; seconds of the 25 kinds; in two sizes; all shapes. Special, a dozen, 10c.

PLAIN SHELL Hair Barrettes; 5c regularly 10c. Special, 5c.

First floor.

WAISTS.

The finest waist a dollar can buy is this one.

The true valuation of this waist is \$1.75 and \$2.00. We put it under value with a lot of other waists, and because we took all the maker had got the price down to a dollar. These waists are made of white Persian lawn, in fancy yoke effects and trimmings of new laces and embroideries; three-quarter sleeves and fasten back. All sizes.

Choice of six models at this one price—

\$1.00

Second floor—S. Kann, Sons & Co.

OFFICIAL RESIDENCES.

How the Government Should Establish Them Abroad.

Editor The Washington Herald: I am happy to see, under that title, an article from the New York Sun, which, in referring to Mr. Longworth's bill providing for the acquisition of embassies and legations in foreign capitals and for consular residences abroad, at a cost not to exceed \$5,000,000, says:

"What Mr. Longworth is trying to do by his bill is to establish official residences in every foreign capital, so that it will be the embassy, or legation, as the case may be, and not Mr. Brown or Mr. Jones' hired house, changing with each administration, or even at more eccentric intervals."

No argument should be needed to demonstrate the necessity for such a measure to relieve this government of a situation that has been humiliating us in the eyes of the world for a century. We are growing in importance as a world-power, the humiliation and absurdity of existing conditions grow more oppressive every day. But there is no reason why all this should be a burden on the people. The first step, in a few years, the proposal of a measure to which Congress will not listen. Without an appropriation from that source, not even a beginning can be made. That is what is needed—a beginning. If we can induce Congress to take the first step, in a few years, the rest will follow. I began as early as 1884, while Minister to Spain, to study this question, and to formulate a plan that Congress might approve. That plan, which I presented to Mr. Cleveland and Mr. Olney, and which was adopted by Congress, was this: Lease adequate houses in all of the European capitals for a term of years; furnish them at the public expense, and then permit our envoys to occupy them, as an addition to their present salaries. For the comparatively small sum of \$100,000 a year we can lease entire adequate unfurnished houses in every European capital (I have made a liberal estimate) and for \$500,000 we can furnish them. I therefore, hope Mr. Longworth will so amend his bill as to reduce his request for \$5,000,000 to \$500,000, which would be entirely adequate to inaugurate the plan in the European capitals. Then, from year to year, we could purchase an embassy or legation, here and there, when a good opportunity offered. That is the way the European governments deal with such matters. A wholesale purchase of houses at one time would be dangerous to the country. Let us make a beginning with the European capitals, excluding, for the present, all wider plans. Nothing more can possibly be expected from Congress, as a beginning.

Washington, Feb. 15.

COMPETITIVE ART EXHIBIT.

Needlework and Embroidery Contest at S. Kann, Sons & Co.

An event of much interest will be the opening of this annual exhibition of art needlework and embroidery at S. Kann, Sons & Co.'s store to-morrow.

Hundreds of pieces have been entered for competition, and \$200 in cash prizes is to be awarded in two contests. One wherein the simple merit of the work, regardless of any other conditions, determines the prize winners; and the other in which the use of Ladies' Home Journal Art Embroidery and Needlework patterns is a condition.

This makes the exhibition doubly interesting and instructive, having been not only a display of originality in selecting and developing patterns for themselves, but shows what taste and ingenuity may do in bringing beauty and variety out of one pattern, in the development by different embroiderers.

AFFAIRS OF THE MACCABEES

New Ritual and Properties Being Put Into Effect.

Thirty-six Deaths in the Order in Virginia and the District of Columbia During 1907.

The new rituals of the Order of the Maccabees are now received by the tents. The tents are supplying themselves with the new properties, to do the work of the three degrees. Two tents—Georgetown, No. 6, and National, No. 1—have already received their outfit in the District of Columbia. Alexandria, No. 2; Norfolk, No. 6; Brambleton, No. 25, and Jefferson, No. 15, have also installed their new properties in the Virginia tents.

During the year 1907, in the State of Virginia, there were seventeen deaths among the Virginia Maccabees. Claims paid amounted to \$20,000. In the District of Columbia there were nineteen deaths and claims paid amounting to \$20,000.

Next Tuesday night another meeting will be held. At that time there will be an initiation.

Albert D. Gall, of National Tent, No. 1, son of State Commander D. W. Gall, is in Baltimore, attending lectures at Johns Hopkins University, and will graduate this term of the school.

Progressive members of Mount Vernon Tent have in charge a dance for March 3 for the benefit of their charity fund.

Jefferson Tent, No. 16, will admit a large class next Monday night, using the new properties and the new ritual.

Brambleton Tent, No. 25, at Norfolk, is hustling in new members and has aroused big interest as the result of the introduction of the new rituals and new properties.

Brightwood Tent, No. 5, will hold an oyster supper in its hall on the night of March 3 for the benefit of its widows and orphans fund.

State Commander Gall instituted two new tents during January, and will institute at least one this month in Virginia. This will make five new tents in that State since the State convention was organized, the early part of November.

FRANCES WILLARD SERVICE.

Memorial to Be Held at the Eckington Presbyterian Church.

The Eckington W. C. T. U. met Friday evening at the home of Mrs. A. J. Rogers, 60 R Street northeast.

WILL BE A GUEST.



MRS. LILLIAN M. HOLLISTER, Supreme Commander Ladies of the Maccabees, of Detroit, Mich., in whose honor a grand rally is to be held here on Wednesday of this week.

PLANNING FOR A RALLY.

Lady Maccabees Will Honor Their Supreme Commander.

The Lady Maccabees of the District are planning for a large "rally" to be held February 19, in honor of the visit of their supreme commander, Mrs. Lillian M. Hollister, of Detroit, Mich.

This meeting will be held in Pythian Temple, and all Lady Maccabees will be welcome. A large class will be presented to Mrs. Hollister, who will also give an address. National Hive Guard team will give their splendid drill.

An informal reception will be tendered Mrs. Hollister at the close, and at 9:30 o'clock the floor will be cleared for dancing.

The Lady Maccabees of the World were never in a more flourishing condition than at the present time, there being nine hives with a membership of 1,200. Their strength and standing make their social side very attractive.

OVERRULES THE DEMURRER.

Justice Stafford Refers to Slocum Disaster Indictments.

A demurrer filed by counsel for E. W. McCormick, John F. Hoag, and Abner B. Clements was overruled by Justice Stafford, in Criminal Court No. 1, yesterday.

The defendants, the indictment charges, conspired with the officials of the defunct Aetna Bank to secure certificates of deposit purporting to show money on deposit in the bank, which would be used to satisfy the recorder of deeds that the law had been complied with, Justice Stafford ruled.

ACTIVITY OF GOOD TEMPLARS

Preparations for International Gathering Early in June.

All Local Lodges Report a Busy Week and Several Splendid Entertainments.

The first trans-Atlantic note, in preparation for an international gathering of Good Templars in Washington early in June next, was received recently by Mr. Forrest D. Yowell, past grand secretary, from Mr. Joseph J. Woods, administrative secretary, of Birmingham, England. It was a note of inquiry after hotel accommodations for a large company of Birmingham Good Templars intending to be here at the great convocation, and a special emphasis was placed on the desire to obtain rooms in a hostelry in which "intoxicating liquors are not dispensed."

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Col. B. F. Parker, international secretary, of Milwaukee; Rev. E. C. Dinwiddie, national electoral superintendent, and superintendent of the Oklahoma Anti-Saloon League, and Albert E. Shoemaker, chief templar of Silver Star Lodge, Tennyah Lodge, No. 1, in Pythian Temple Tuesday evening. His pleasure was increased by the presence of Deputy International Chief I. L. Corby, chief templar, Mr. F. W. Walster, chief templar; Miss Blanche Neff, past chief; Mr. J. E. Bishop, and others of Perseverance Lodge; Mr. Thomas A. Fitzgerald, chief templar, and others, from Star of Hope Lodge, and visitors from Frances Willard Lodge, Mr. Richard Van Horn, chief templar, made all visitors welcome, and on suggestion by Mr. Shoemaker, Col. Parker was received with the honors of the order.

Routine business was disposed of, a social session was held, and a programme rendered, Miss Olive Ward in charge. Mrs. Carrie Smith and Mr. Arthur Jett, vocalists, entertained the gathering. Miss Mathews accompanying Mr. Jett, and Mrs. Smith being her own accompanist. Mr. Shoemaker addressed the meeting.

Col. Parker acknowledged the courtesies extended, and his pleasure in being in a Good Templar lodge in Washington. Rev. Mr. Dinwiddie gave a brief description of the recent times that "tried men's souls" in Oklahoma, and paid high tribute to Miss Laura Church, his secretary.

EXPLAINS METHODS OF ORDER

Mr. Riedel Comments on His Efforts in Masonic Organization.

Asserts He Is Absolutely Innocent of Any Effort at Wrongdoing. Describes His Work.

Dr. Alexander P. Riedel, who recently asked for an injunction restraining the police from raiding the rooms of the lodge of Ancient and Accepted Scottish Freemasons, which he claims to have organized, last night declared he could be accused of obtaining money under false pretense, as indicated by the district attorney.

Dr. Riedel defended himself, saying he was absolutely innocent of any wrongdoing. To prove his assertion he said that since the jury that tried him on charges of obtaining money under false pretenses had discharged him, he had succeeded in having his lodge recognized by the American Masonic Federation, Incorporated, from which organization, he says, he has obtained a legal charter.

In speaking of the action of the district attorney and of the raids by the police department, Dr. Riedel characterized it as "nothing less than a sectarian persecution." He declared that all members of the lodge would testify he had in no way attempted to defraud them.

He said of his position: "I am the deputy representative of the American Masonic Federation, Incorporated, with full powers and authority from that grand body to make Masons and to organize subordinate symbolic lodges; also, I am deputy grand representative of the Confederate Supreme Councils of America, thirty-third and last degree Scottish Freemasons, with full powers to confer degrees from the fourth to the thirty-second, and for the formation of lodges, chapters, and councils, and master of Union Lodge, No. 1, Ancient and Accepted Freemasons."

He defined the authority of his organization as follows: "The American Masonic Federation derives its authority from the Supreme Council of Thirty-third Degree Ancient and Accepted Scottish Freemasons of the State of Louisiana, through the president general, Mr. M. McR. Thomson, of Montpelier, Idaho, a native of Scotland, and a member of a lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Scotland. Mr. Thomson is also grand representative for America of the Grand Council of Rites of Scotland. The American Masonic Federation derives its authority from the Polar Star Lodge of New Orleans, La.; and our Polar Star Lodge received its authority from the mother Scotch lodge at Marseilles, France, in 1794, and that mother Scotch lodge in turn received its authority in 177 from Scotland. (See Folger's History of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite)."

Claims an Infringement.

Charles J. Kinter, of New York, yesterday filed a suit against the Columbia Phonograph Company for an accounting and an injunction. His petition sets forth that he is the inventor of a patent for a record holder for phonographs or graphophones, and that the Columbia Phonograph Company is infringing upon his rights. He asks they be made to account to him for the use they have made of his patent, and be restrained from using it in the future.

Brings Suit for Damages.

Suit for \$10,000 damages was filed by James O. Gorrell yesterday for Lydia K. Donnelly for alleged false arrest. In his declaration he states that on January 28 Mrs. Donnelly caused his arrest by appearing in the Police Court and swearing out a warrant, charging he had assaulted her. On February 11, he states, he was tried in the Police Court and acquitted of the charge.